

Subject: Contacts with Soviet Chemists in Rome.

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1. First meeting with group of Soviet chemists in Rome took place on 29 Sept. 1965. Source telephoned the manager of the hotel "Cosmopolita", who told him that there was a group of app. 20 Soviet visitors at his hotel. The group was composed mainly of older women aged 30-50, with the exception of the guide SAVINA, Tatiana who was app. 25 yrs. Source approached ANTROPOV L.I., a member of the group and started a conversation with him.
2. ANTROPOV, L.I.; Russian, born in Siberia, age in his fifties. Married, has daughter who studies chemistry at Kiev University. Subject is a chemist, and teaches chemistry at : Kiev Polytechnical Institute, Electro-Chemical Department, Kiev 56. Subject is app. 5'7", slim built. Dark hair graying in spots. Politically Subject usually sticks to party line, but will occasionally agree with Sources arguments.
3. ROZOV, Lev Kyrilovich; Russian, lives in Moscow. Add. Moscow, Lenin Prospect. h.31 Institute of Physical Chemistry. Subject is app. 35 yrs. Quite friendly, and sympathetic. Otherwise, a typical Soviet man sticking to party line and phraseology.
4. SAVINA, Tatiana; Russian, age app. 25. Guide from Intourist, lives in Leningrad. Speaks Italian, which she studied in Leningrad.
5. ANTROPOV told Source that the group was composed exclusively of chemists who were attending a congress at FERRARI, this congress dealt with the preservation of metals used commercially.
6. The conversation brought up very little of interest on the whole. Subject mostly repeated usual opinions on internal and external topics of Soviet policy. He described himself more "Siberian" than Russian or anything else. According to ANTROPOV, in Ukraine, the Ukrainian language is dominant. True, that in Kiev Russian is heard very

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often, but this is due to the fact that many Russians live there. All courses in school are taught in Ukrainian. ROZOV gave an example that one of his relatives, a 20 year old girl, who lived in Moscow and had to move to Ukraine for medical reasons, tried to enter the university in CHERNIVTSI. The university did not accept her since she did not know the Ukrainian language. This forced her to study Ukrainian for a year, take an examination, and then enter the University. ANTROPOV told a similar story about his daughter.

7. ANTROPOV agreed that there should be an exchange of diplomatic missions between Ukrainian SSR and western countries. Ukraine should also have separate cultural ties with other nations, not relying solely on All-Union establishments in this field. Agreed that the Ukrainian people and emmigration have a need for foreigners to recognize Ukraine as a distinct European people and nation. Added that the emmigration is correct when it protests against the confusing of Ukrainian and Russian, and accrediting to Russia of all Ukrainian literature, art and scholarly works.

8. ANTROPOV agreed that there should be an exchange of publications between the Ukrainian emmigration and the Ukrainian SSR, this would show both sides how the other thinks and what it is trying to achieve. About Ukrainian schools in the KUBAN region and other large gatherings of Ukrainians in the USSR, but outside the borders of the Ukrainian SSR, ANTROPOV did not know. ROZOV said that as far as he knew, there were schools for Ukrainians being organized now outside the Ukraine.

9. Second meeting took place 1 Oct. 1965 in the lobby of the hotel "Cosmopolita". ANTROPOV asked Source not to publish anything on the conversations they had had. Source promised to do so. At this meeting there was very little time left, since the group was leaving the same day. Source gave ANTROPOV the following books. (2 copies of each) "Na Novomy Etapi", Vyvid Prav Ukrainy" and "Dokumenty Ukrainskoho Komynizmy". ANTROPOV was caught of guard by this action and was not sure wheater to accept the books or not and said, "Maybe it would be better to send the books officialy, to the address of the University." SAVINA the guide, who was standing nearby, looking on said, "Go

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on, take them, you can hand them over to the philology department of the University." Subject then took the books and thanked Source for them. He mellowed again and they parted quite friendly. ANTROPOV seemed to be even moved.

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